IEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED ATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: ASSISTANT OMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231 ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW. DATE: <u>MOUCH 29, 2001</u> IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Patent Application of Group Art Unit: 3724 In re: Valter Maddalon Examiner: C. Dexter Appln. No.: 09/298,726 Filed: April 23, 1999 Attorney Docket No. 6023-71 (MI/X13033) For: AUTOMATIC DEVICE FOR FINISHING AND CUTTING MULTIPLE OR SINGLE **IMAGES ON PAPER AND OTHER** GRAPHIC AND PHOTOGRAPHIC SUBSTRATES IN REEL OR SINGLE SHEETS PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a One-month extension of time to and including April 5, 2001 for responding to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2000. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing [X] No. 206023.0071) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed. Extension fee in the amount of \$.00. Any deficiencies or overpayments in the above-calculated fee. [X] RECEIVED Respectfully submitted, APR 0 6 2001 Valter Maddalon JEOUNGLOGY CENTER R3700 March 28, 2001 (Date) MARTIN G. BELISARIO Registration No. 32,886 AKIN, GUMP, STRAUSS, HAUER & FELD, L.L.P.

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